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AND SECRETARY KISSINGER FOLLOWING MEETING WITH PRESIDENT
GISCARD D'ESTAING AT ELYSEE PALACE - JULY 10, 1975

FOREIGN MINISTER SAUVAGNARGUES

Q. WHO TOOK THE INITIATIVE FOR THIS MEETING?

A. WE ARE IN CONSTANT CONTACT WITH THE SECRETARY OF
STATE AND IT HAD AT FIRST BEEN AGREED THAT I WOULD MEET
WITH HIM IN WASHINGTON. BUT THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S
SCHEDULE AND THE MEETINGS HE IS TO HAVE IN BONN LED
HIM TO MODIFY HIS PLANS AND TO COME TO PARIS.

I THANK HIM FOR THIS WHILE NEVERTHELESS HOPING TO SEE
HIM AGAIN, PROBABLY IN WASHINGTON ON THE OCCASION OF

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THE U.N. MEETING. THE SECRETARY OF STATE IS GOING

TO TELL YOU PERSONALLY THAT WE HAD A LONG PRIVATE CONVERSATION THIS MORNING AND THAT WE DECIDED TO GO TOGETHER AND REPORT IT TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC.

Q. ON WHAT SUBJECTS, MR. FOREIGN MINISTER?

A. WE SPOKE OF THE RESUMPTION OF THE DIALOGUE, WE SPOKE OF CYPRUS, WE SPOKE OF THE CONFERENCE ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE, AND WE DISCUSSED IN A GENERAL WAY...THE SECRETARY OF STATE REFERRED TO THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM...THIS WAS A VERY THOROUGH EXCHANGE OF VIEWS AND, I BELIEVE, A VERY CONSTRUCTIVE ONE.

SECRETARY KISSINGER

Q.THE EUROPEAN COOPERATION CONFERENCE?

A. FIRST, LET ME SAY THAT I AGREE COMPLETELY WITH WHAT MY COLLEAGUE HAS SAID. WE'VE HAD VERY CONSTRUCTIVE TALKS AND WE REVIEWED MOST OF THE OUTSTANDING ISSUES IN THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION WHICH CHARACTERIZES OUR RELATIONSHIP. WE DISCUSSED THE RESUMPTION OF THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN CONSUMERS AND PRODUCERS AND I BELIEVE WE HAVE MADE VERY GOOD PROGRESS TOWARDS ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THIS DIALOGUE. AND WE HAD FRUITFUL EXCHANGES ON A RANGE OF OTHER SUBJECTS.

WITH RESPECT TO THE EUROPEAN SECURITY CONFERENCE, I BELIEVE THAT BOTH OUR COUNTRIES ARE OF THE VIEW THAT IT SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO A CONCLUSION AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE AND THAT BOTH OUR DELEGATIONS ARE WORKING IN THAT SENSE AT GENEVA.

Q. WHAT DID YOU TELL THE PRESIDENT ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR ANOTHER SETTLEMENT IN THE MIDDLE EAST, MR. SECRETARY?

A. WE HAD A FULL DISCUSSION OF THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND I TOLD HIM WE CANNOT REALLY JUDGE UNTIL I HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO TALK WITH THE ISRAELI PRIME MINISTER AND UNTIL THE VIEWS OF THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT WILL THEN HAVE BEEN FORMALLY COMMUNICATED TO
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THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT FOR THEIR REACTION.

Q. ABOUT PRESIDENT GISCARD D'ESTAING'S PROPOSAL FOR A MONETARY CONFERENCE NEXT AUTUMN?

A. WELL, WE HAVE NOT HAD A FORMAL SUGGESTION TO THAT EFFECT BUT WE TAKE THE VIEWS OF THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT ON THE MONETARY SITUATION SERIOUSLY AND WE RECOGNIZE

THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE BIG OUTSTANDING ISSUES ABOUT WHICH WE WILL REMAIN IN VERY CLOSE CONTACT.

Q. HAVE YOU AGREED ON A TENTATIVE DATE FOR THE RESUMPTION OF THE OIL DIALOGUE?

A. WE HAVEN'T AGREED ON A DATE BUT I THINK WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS TOWARDS ESTABLISHING A FRAMEWORK WHICH SHOULD ENABLE US TO PROPOSE DATES WITHIN A REASONABLE FUTURE.

Q. ABOUT THE RENEWAL OF THE DIALOGUE BEFORE THE SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UN?

A. WE ARE WORKING IN THAT DIRECTION.

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